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Mr. Tom Rosales
General Manager
South Orange County Wastewater Authority
34156 Del Obispo St.
Dana Point, CA 92629

In reply refer to:
257850:rsunjed

Dear Mr. Rosales:

SUBJECT: REVIEW OF MONITORING REPORTS SUBMITTED BY THE SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY WASTEWATER AUTHORITY (MULTIPLE FACILITIES)

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) has reviewed the January 2011 monthly monitoring reports. These reports were submitted by the South Orange County Water Authority (SOCWA) in accordance with the Monitoring and Reporting Program of Order No. 97-52.

The following violations of Order No. 97-52 were identified in the submitted reports:

Moulton Niguel Water District, Regional Plant

1. The 12-month average discharge specification for manganese, established at 0.05 milligrams per liter (mg/L), was exceeded for January 2011 with a reported value of 0.07 mg/L.
2. The daily maximum discharge specification for manganese, established at 0.06 mg/L, was exceeded on January 3, 2011 with a reported value of 0.16 mg/L.

South Coast Water District, Coastal Treatment Plant

3. The 12-month average discharge specification for manganese, established at 0.05 mg/L, was exceeded for January 2011 with a reported value of 0.07 mg/L.

Please take steps to implement follow-up actions necessary to ensure that the violations noted do not occur in the future. These violations subject SOCWA to possible further enforcement action by the San Diego Water Board including administrative enforcement orders requiring SOCWA to cease and desist from violations, or to clean up waste and abate existing or threatened conditions of pollution or nuisance; administrative

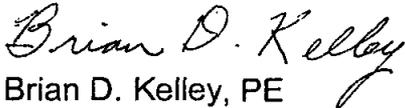
assessment of civil liability in amounts of up to \$5,000 per day per violation;¹ referral to the State Attorney General for injunctive relief; and referral to the District Attorney for criminal prosecution.

The next monitoring report required to be submitted is the February 2011 monthly monitoring report, which is due by March 30, 2011.

For questions pertaining to the subject matter, please contact Ray Sunjed at (858) 627-3977 or via email at rsunjed@waterboards.ca.gov.

PLEASE INCLUDE "257850:RSUNJED" IN THE SUBJECT LINE OF FUTURE CORRESPONDENCE.

Sincerely,



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Regulatory Measure ID: 377868
Violation ID: 893022, 893024, and 893025

¹ Under authority of California Water Code section 13350.